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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Burns

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FOR: COMPOSITIONS SUITABLE FOR CONTROLLED RELEASE OF THE
HORMONE GNRH AND ITS ANALOGS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated May 9, 2001, Applicants respectfully
submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second
paragraph, as indefinite. The Examiner asserts that the term "analogs or agonists"
render the claims indefinite, apparently because the Examiner sees no difference
between an agonist and an analog. An agonist is a chemical substance that is capable